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THIS MONTH ON CAMPUS

SEPTEMBER 18

Alumni Council Meeting
Room 305 Skyland
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

SEPTEMBER 18

MONDAY CONCERT SERIES
featuring Dr. Mark Brown
1 p.m. Skyland Campus

SEPTEMBER 19

Foundation Barbecue Bash
Northport Civic Center
Call 391-2298 for tickets

SEPTEMBER 22

Seminar on Women's Health
C.A. Fredd Campus
10 a.m. - 12 Noon

SEPTEMBER 25-29

Historically Black Colleges and Universities
Week

SEPTEMBER 25

MONDAY CONCERT SERIES
Chamber Music by Gary Smoke and Michael
Bowman
1 p.m. Skyland Campus

SEPTEMBER 26

Opening of the new C.A. Fredd Campus
Library 3 p.m.
Everyone invited!!!!

**PLEASE DON'T FORGET THE
BARBECUE BASH - SEPTEMBER
19 AT THE NORTHPORT CIVIC
CENTER. DINNER BEGINS AT 6
P.M. TICKETS WILL BE ON
SALE AT THE DOOR.**

HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGE WEEK

September 24 - 30 has been designated
Historically Black College Week by the
United States Congress. During this time,
HCBUs celebrate the significant contributions
that these institutions, their alumni, faculty,
staff and students make. The theme for the
week is "Providing Results through
Collaboration." The C.A Fredd Campus of
Shelton State Community College is
designated a Historically Black College.

Various activities are scheduled during the
week including the opening on September 26
of the new library on the C.A. Fredd Campus.

WELLNESS CENTER AND FIRE COLLEGE OFFER CLASS FOR FIREMEN

The Shelton State Wellness Center and the Alabama Fire College will offer a five-day 45-hour workshop for firemen that will help them learn how to become strong fitness and wellness advocates within their own departments.

The workshop was designed to provide professional development opportunities for Tuscaloosa City firemen. This workshop was based on a recommendation from the Tuscaloosa City Council, according to Milady-Khoury Murphy, director of the Wellness Center.

There are now 31 firemen enrolled in the class, and some of them are from Florida, Georgia, Tennessee, and North Carolina. According to Murphy, the only other class of this type is offered by Oklahoma State University.

"We've literally had to turn people away," Murphy said. "We hope to make this an annual workshop."

During the workshop, the firemen will learn about nutrition for the prevention of disease, strengthening techniques, exercise physiology, back care for prevention of injuries, value of massage therapy, and the physical assessment of techniques in the area of fitness.

Speakers for the workshop include Dr. Murphy, Dr. Phillip Bobo, Dr. S.B. Sundar, Ms. Lea Minovich, Ms. Diana Davis, Dr. Matt Hitchner, and Mr. Mike Edison.

FACES AND PLACES

***GEORITA GRIFFIN**, a Shelton student, recently won a trip to Los Angeles in the Anheuser-Busch sweepstakes. She and her husband, Robert, were escorted by a chauffeured limousine to the Beverly Wilshire Hotel and were entertained by Lou Rawls at a

private party. Mrs. Griffin recently received a Gender Equity scholarship from the college for Fall Semester. She has been a student in the auto body program since 1991.

***KIM INMAN SMITH** was recently asked to be a panel member by the Examination Committee of the National Council of State Boards of Nursing. Ms. Smith will serve as an NCLEX-PN item writer for the November 16-19 session scheduled in Atlanta, Georgia.

***Lisa Matherson** was recently assigned to the development office located on Shelton's 15th Street Campus.

***Peggy Reese** recently attended the annual Alabama Water Pollution Control Association conference that is held each year.

This conference gives water and wastewater operators the opportunity to meet other operators from across the state and discuss problems, solutions, and to meet vendors that service the water and wastewater industry. While there, Reese talked to conference participants in order to make them aware of the training available at Shelton.

FROM THE LIBRARY - POLICY CHANGE

Effective this fall, new guidelines have been established for the circulation of periodicals. Faculty and staff of the college may continue to check out these periodicals with these guidelines:

- 1) The most recent issue of any title will not circulate.
- 2) The circulation period will be limited to 24 hours. However, Friday through Monday will be interpreted as 24 hours.
- 3) Items will continue to be "signed out" in the binder at the circulation desk. They must also be returned to a person working at the desk. It will be helpful if you let the worker know that the periodical was checked out, and therefore needs to be checked in before being shelved.

NEW EQUIPMENT PURCHASED FOR COLLEGE PROGRAMS

This fall several departments are sporting new equipment, most of which was purchased through federal grants such as the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC), basic grant from Carl Perkins, and Shelton's Title III grant. This new equipment will be used in the college's numerical control, commercial art, graphic arts and printing, industrial electricity, electronics, office administration, computer science, and the Center for Advanced Productivity.

In the graphics and printing communication department, an AB Dick 9985 two-color offset press was purchased through Title III funds. This \$47,000 piece of equipment is a true two-color offset that prints two colors in a single pass through the press.

Some new computers have also been ordered for the commercial art department and are expected to arrive this week. With this new equipment, Shelton's commercial art program will be one of the most high tech design areas in West Alabama.

According to Jack Moore, CNC instructor, the college will use part of the ARC funds allocation to buy statistical process control equipment. Moore hopes to be able to also purchase a die-sinking electrical discharge machine with CNC controls.

Using ARC funds, Shelton purchased programmable logic controllers for the college's electronics and industrial electricity departments and the Center for Advanced Productivity, Shelton's program for business and industry. Transcribers, computer projection panels, and text scanners were also purchased. Two students will be able to train at the same time on each of the six

programmable logic controllers that will be used by CAP. The PLCs offer automation of robotics and are used in the industry to control processes.

Funds have also been used to purchase new computers for the office administration and the computer science programs. Students in Shelton's computer program will now be training on state-of-the-art equipment.

NEWS FROM THE WATER CENTER

The sign located in front of the Alabama Water Resource and Environmental Training Center (AWRETC) has been removed due to deterioration of the wood. The commercial art class is designing a new sign for the center as part of a class project. Ted Mitchell and students in the landscape design class will plan the landscaping around the sign.

Enrollment at the AWRETC now totals 31 students, up 10 students from the Spring Semester. There were no classes offered at the water center in 1993. Twelve classes have been taught at the water center since Peggy Reese joined the faculty during Fall Semester 1994. Enrollment is growing at the center at a steady rate, according to Reese.

FROM THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT

Shelton's music department was well represented in the annual Channel 33/PRIDE Talent Search. Among the finalists who performed during the August event were former music students Sandra Taylor and Stacy Crowell in the Female Vocalist category; Susan Burroughs and Monica Fields in the Country Vocalist category; and present student Jeremy Hamm in the Male Vocalist

category.

Monica Fields, who is now teaching Spanish as well as coaching the dance line at Northside High School, was selected the winner of the Country Vocalists with her rendition of "I Feel Tacky." Lisa Sansom, another former Shelton student, won the Dance Category competition.

MASONRY -- NOT HIGH TECH BUT IN DEMAND

While masonry may not be considered a high tech field, it is certainly an area of steady growth and employment in West Alabama. Union Morrow began teaching brick masonry at C.A. Fredd in 1971. Now as an instructor on the Fredd Campus, Morrow looks back on a career that spans almost a quarter of a century.

Unlike some other fields, masonry has not changed a lot over the past 25 years. "The only difference I've seen," says Morrow, "is that they just use bigger bricks on houses now."

"I was watching construction of the new Shades Valley High School when I was in Birmingham a few weeks ago. They had large silos with mortar in them that they were using on the job. Their intention was to keep the mortar at a certain temperature. They would take the mortar out of the silo and mix it with ice cold water," Morrow said.

Brick masonry is a certificate program at Shelton and normally takes students three semesters to complete. Graduates are often found laying brick, pouring concrete on various kinds of jobs, or contracting out on their own.

Some of Morrow's students helped out during the beginning phase of Shelton's new campus construction. "One of our students did the man hold and catch basic structure that

drains from the street. Several years ago when Hillcrest High School was under construction, several of our graduates worked on that," Morrow said.

Although traditionally considered a field for men, masonry is also an area that can attract women. Bonnie Latner, who is a registered nurse at DCH, finds masonry to be a great field.

"I've always wanted to build something, and this program gives me the opportunity. My ultimate goal is to brick my own house. It really has not been bad being the only female in the class. The guys are really nice to me. Sometimes they even go and get the mortar for me," Latner said.

"Gary Watkins, who is another RN at the hospital, is also taking the class," Latner said.

"He's real handy, and I think he's adding masonry to the list of things he can do. This summer we built the sign at Locklear Dodge in Tuscaloosa, and we're working now on a masonry project at Tyler Motor Company in Northport," Latner said.

"There is a big demand for brick masons," said Morrow, "and most of our students get jobs. Companies just can't find enough brick masons to meet the demand. Companies usually pay around \$17 an hour for a brick mason. Students start out at the entry level of brick layer and in time progress to being a brick mason."

SHELTON RECEIVES GRANT AWARD NOTIFICATION

Shelton State recently received a copy of the Cooperative Education Program Grant Award Notification for the 1995-96 year. This year's grant is \$50,713 and is the last in a three-year multi-grant award.

Charles Fields is the director of the cooperative education program which is located on the C.A. Fredd Campus.